

Reservoir Storage Outlook

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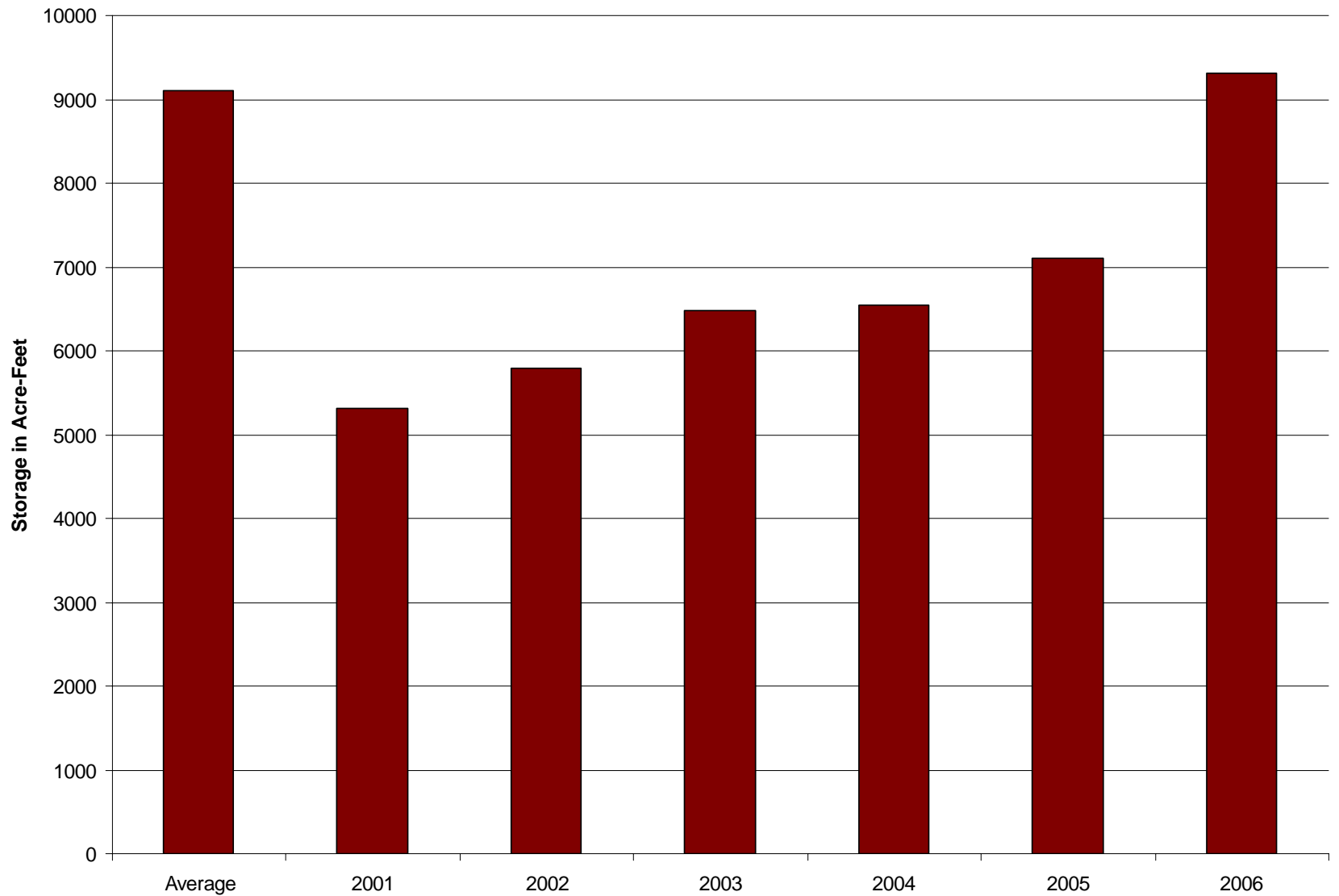
RESERVOIR CONTENTS REPORT

March 31, 2006

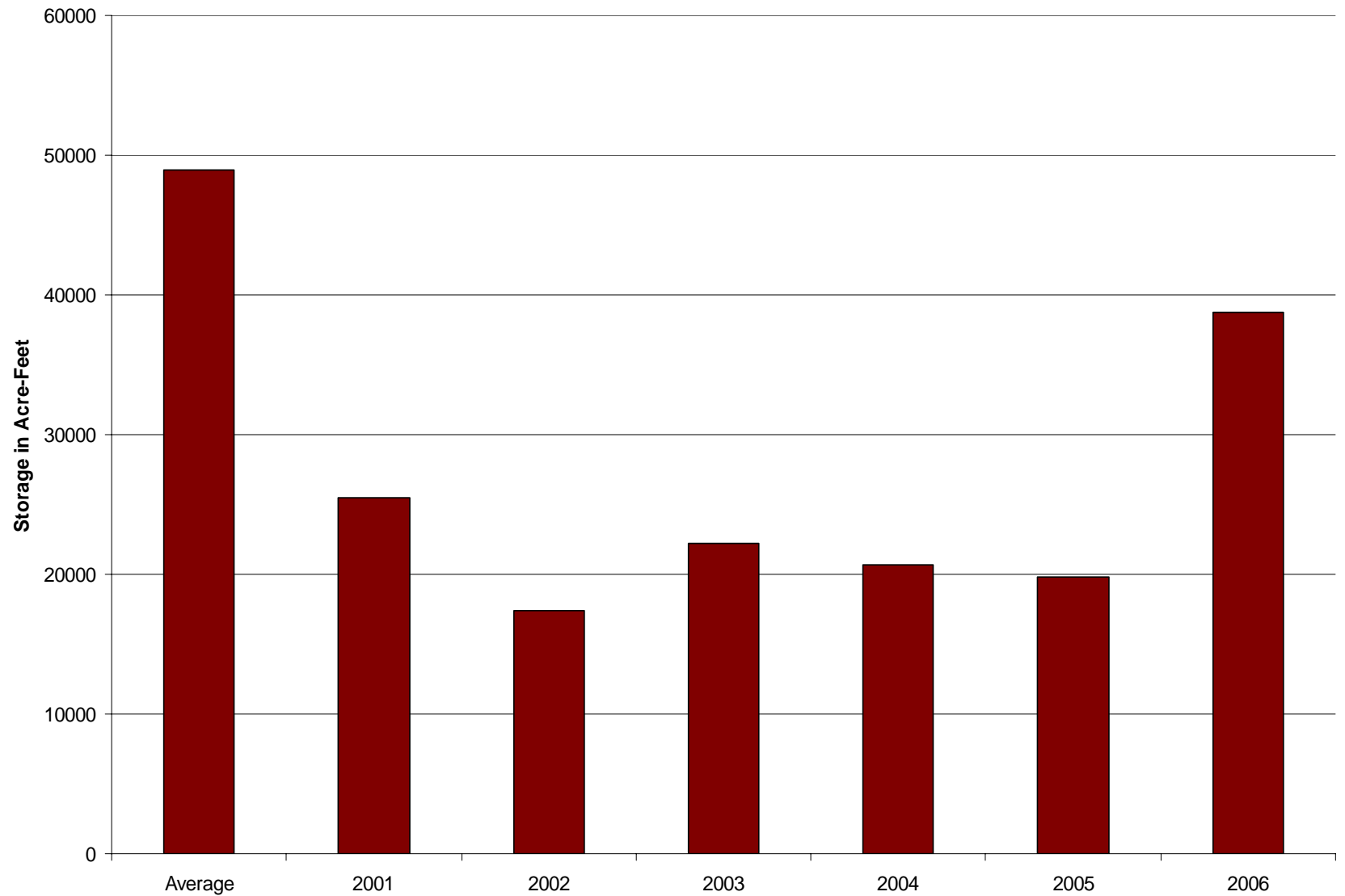
All Contents in Acre-Feet

RESERVOIR		CONTENTS			%AVERAGE 3/31/2006	Reading	COMMENTS
		AVERAGE	Last Year	PRESENT		Date	
		1960 - 2005	3/31/2006	3/31/2006			
							MID MONTH DATA
ACKLEY		3,274	2,180	2,505	77	4/4/06	
BAIR		4,445	3,510	3,093	70	3/28/06	
CATARACT			400	370			Est, not read
COONEY	*	21,093	22,960	20,732	98	4/2/06	
COTTONWOOD		831	637	890	107	4/4/06	
DEADMAN'S BASIN		48,963	19,770	38,713	79	3/28/06	
E.F. ROCK CREEK	*	9,107	7,100	9,315	102	3/29/06	
FRENCHMAN		3,619	3,750	3,752	104	3/30/06	
MARTINSDALE		9,128	4,070	9,002	99	3/28/06	
MIDDLE CREEK	*	6,450	6,900	7,377	114	3/28/06	
NEVADA CREEK	*	7,642	5,710	8,930	117	3/31/06	
NILAN		6,558	4,980	5,937	91	3/31/06	
N.FK. SMITH RIVER	*	7,019	7,220	5,813	83	3/28/06	
RUBY RIVER	*	30,994	31,000	29,916	97	3/27/06	
TONGUE RIVER	*	41,045	44,210	47,139	115		Est, Instrumentation Failure
W.F. BITTERROOT	*	7,719	8,200	8,600	111	4/6/06	
WILLOW CREEK		16,537	16,810	17,731	107	3/30/06	
YELLOWATER		1,171	153	105	9		Est, not read

E.F. Rock Creek, March Storage



Deadman's Basin, March Storage



Conclusions

- 11 out of 18 Reservoirs are at or Above Average Storage
- 4 of the Below Average Reservoirs have Less Storage than Last Year
- Conditions are Generally Improving (Last Year, 12 Reservoirs were Below Average)